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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: U.S.-ITALY NEGOTIATIONS

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1. DI MUCCIO (PLEASE PROTECT THROUGHOUT) TOLD EMBOFF THAT MEETING WAS HELD AT MFA ON MAY 30 TO REVIEW U.S.-ITALY NEGOTIATIONS AND THAT ORAL CONSENSUS WAS THAT NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD NOT BE RESUMED UNTIL SEPTEMBER. DI MUCCIO SAID HE WAS PROVIDING THIS INFORMATION ON A PERSONAL BASIS ONLY AS HE HAD ASKED FOR VIEWS IN WRITING BUT HAD NOT YET RECEIVED WRITTEN RESPONSES. THEREFORE, HE SAID, HE WAS STILL UNABLE TO PROVIDE A DEFINITE RESPONSE (SEE REFTEL).

2. DI MUCCIO, AGAIN CAUTIONING HE WAS SPEAKING ON PERSONAL BASIS, ADVISED THAT EMBOFF INFORM WASHINGTON OF FOREGOING WITH SUGGESTION THAT U.S. NEGOTIATORS PROCEED TO BOOK JUNE, JULY AND AUGUST WITHOUT RESERVING PERIOD FOR ITALY. THUS, HE SAID, FINAL DECISION WOULD BE MADE FOR ITALY BECAUSE OF ITS FAILURE TO RESPOND TO EMBASSY'S INQUIRY. HE SAID HE HAD EVERY REASON TO BELIEVE CONSENSUS WOULD HOLD, BUT SHOULD SOMETHING COME UP TO CAUSE GOI TO SEEK EARLY NEGOTIATIONS U.S. COULD SIMPLY RESPOND THAT NEGOTIATING TIME NOT AVAILABLE UNTIL SEPTEMBER. IN RESPONSE TO EMBOFF QUESTIONS, DI MUCCIO SAID ALL IMPORTANT CIVAIR DECISION MAKERS WERE PRESENT AT MFA MEETING, BUT HE INDICATED ALITALIA WAS NOT REPRESENTED.

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3. COMMENT. EMBASSY BELIEVES DI MUCCIO DOES NOT WANT NEGOTIATING SESSION UNTIL SEPTEMBER AND THAT HE IS HONESTLY REPORTING VIEWS OF THOSE WHO ATTENDED REVIEW SESSION, BUT WE HAVE IMPRESSION ALITALIA MIGHT STILL TRY TO DEMAND EARLY SESSION.

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